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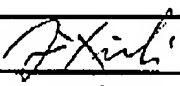
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the October 13, 2006 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment ("the Notice") issued in the above-identified patent application. The Notice states that the amendment document filed on July 25, 2006 was non-compliant because the formulas in claim 9, page 16, lines 2-5, should be underlined.

In response, applicants submit the following remarks and corrected section to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

**Amendment to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 37.

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